

MEMOIR.

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Last November the Society heard with very great regret of the death of Mr. Marples. He was a man of wide interests but, among his various activities, work connected with students occupied a pre-eminent position. For more than 25 years he was Mathematics Master at King Edward's School, Birmingham, and he held this distinguished post at his death.

In 1909 Mr. Marples became an Associate of the Institute, and soon afterwards he undertook work as a coach for actuarial examinations; as such, he came into close touch with many actuarial students throughout the world. Those who had the privilege of working under his direction recall with gratitude the invaluable assistance that he gave, for he was a fine teacher in that he possessed the essential qualities of thorough knowledge, great enthusiasm and real personal interest.

Mr. Marples took an active part in the affairs of the Birmingham Actuarial Society and for many years he had been a member of our own Students' Society. His death at the early age of 56 means to actuarial science the loss of one who was not only a teacher but himself a student, and, to a wide circle of friends, the severance of very happy personal relationships.

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